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**Title:** TO A COMBINED FINGERPRINT ACQUISITION AND CONTROL DEVICE

**Matter No.** 123625.014100

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**ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.27 (c)(1)**

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Sir:

This communication hereby asserts that the above-identified patent is entitled to small entity status.

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